

**Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on May 24th, AD 2012 at 6:31 o'clock PM in the Town Council Chambers, Town Hall, 40 Commons, Little Compton, RI. Members present: Fred M. Bodington, III; Paul J. Golembeske and Robert L. Mushen. Absent: Charles N. Appleton, Jr. and Gary S. Mataronas (who arrived at 6:40 PM). Also in attendance: Richard S. Humphrey, Town Solicitor.**

**At 6:31 PM the Town Council President polled his fellow Councilors as to their wishes to enter into executive session under RI General Laws Section 42-46-5(a)(2) litigation - Rudick vs. LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust et als Case No. NC2011-0635. All voted in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen)**

**The Town Solicitor reviewed the litigation matter for those present. A hearing is scheduled tomorrow on May 25, 2012. Several potential out comes and actions were considered.**

**At 6:37 PM Rebecca McCormack, Esq. arrived and at 6:40 PM Gary S. Mataronas arrived.**

**At 6:59 PM the Town Council President polled his fellow Councilors as to their wishes to come out of executive session under RI General Laws Section 42-46-5(a)(2) litigation - Rudick vs. LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust et als Case No. NC2011-0635. All voted in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen)**

**The Council President called this session of the Council to order with a salute to the Flag.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To approve, as written the May 10, 2012 Town Council meeting minutes.**

**Announcements:**

**Letters of interest may be submitted to the Town Clerk by June 7 for the following vacancies**

**1.**

**(1) LC Agricultural Conservancy Trust - 5 year term (July 1)**

**(1) Auditorium/Gymnasium Committee – 3 year term (June 30)**

**(1) Harbor Master/Commissioner of Wrecks – annual appointment**

**(1) Asst. Harbor Master – annual appointment**

**(3) Pension Committee Members – annual appointment**

**(1) Zoning Board of Review – 5 year term (July 15)**

**(1) LC Housing Trust Trustee – Jan 2016 unexpired term**

**(2) Conservation Commission Member – February 2015 (unexpired term)**

**Three citizens have expressed interest in serving on the Renewable Energy Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Mushen noted that all three have expertise on the subject that would give value to the**

**committee, therefore after a brief discussion the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To appoint Roy Bonner, Bruce Gavin and Roger Lord as members at large to the Renewable Energy Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee.**

**Mr. Mushen will charge the Ad Hoc Committee with the tasks of looking at the current East Bay Energy Consortium proposals presently before the General Assembly and to begin the task of considering a proposal for a renewable energy ordinance.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mushen) Councilor Mataronas abstained from voting: To place on file a Notice to Abutters received from the RI Dept. of Transportation, Engineering Division concerning the Sakonnet Point Culvert Replacement Project and remediation regulations.**

**Two bid proposals were received for Spring Roadside Mowing:**

**Rich McGee and Son Excavating  
290K West Main Road \$6,500  
Little Compton, RI**

**Joseph Rego**

**93 Amesbury Lane    \$5,451**

**Little Compton, RI**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To award the bid for Spring Roadside Mowing to Joseph Rego of 93 Amesbury Lane in the amount of \$5,451.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To grant permission to the Little Compton Garden Club to sponsor a nature program in Wilbour Woods on June 7th and June 12th to allow the Tiverton Middle School and Paul Cuffee School the opportunity to attend the programs offered.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To table a proposal submitted by the LC Affordable Housing Trust until Councilor Appleton has had the opportunity to review and comment to the Council.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To accept a retirement letter submitted by Cpl. Kennedy Hawes effective September 6, 2012 and to express the**

**Town's gratitude for his 25 years of service.**

**RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust has supplied the Town as a member of the Health Pool Membership with a Special Report on Health Pool RFP process for 3rd Party Administrators. The Trust also submitted a letter offering a return of renewal rate either to reduce the July 2012 rate adjustment by 2% or to be banked in an amount of 2% to be applied to the July 2013 rate. After a brief discussion the following was voted:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): The Town of Little Compton elects to reduce our July 2012 Health insurance renewal rate through the RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust (RIIRMT) by 2% as offered by said RIIRMT.**

**Councilor Bodington gave a brief review of the results of a Regional Red Cross meeting he attended previously this week. The RI Red Cross is proposing to regionalize the Shelter Program whereby only five (5) Shelters would be opened statewide should an emergency occur that affects the entire state. It was noted that the Red Cross could not staff or supply a shelter in every city and town. Documentation shows that the shelters are not used as often as they may have been in the past. The Red Cross also offered a suggestion for local cities and towns to consider opening a personal care center in lieu of a shelter to allow residents the ability to re-charge**

**equipment, obtain water and potentially use the shower facilities. Agreements are being drafted and will be sent out in the near future.**

**Councilor Mushen noted that he would meet with the Chairman of the Budget Committee to review the Financial Town Meeting to consider the pro's and con's of the event. Should any Councilors have comments they wished to include they should bring them to the Presidents attention.**

**At 7:25 PM the Town Council sitting as the Board of License Commissioners voted the following:**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Mataronas, Mushen) Councilor Golembeske abstained from voting : To grant a Class F-1 One Day Beverage License to the Little Compton Game Club for a Clambake to be held on June 3, 2012 at the John Dyer Road facility.**

**Richard S. Humphrey recused himself from the following matter involving the Sakonnet Point Club.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen) Councilor Bodington abstained from voting: To place on file a Joint Public Notice received from the RI Coastal Resources Management Council and the RI Dept. of Environmental Management**

**concerning a RI Dredge Permit application by the Sakonnet Point Club for maintenance dredging.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To grant permission to the LC Community Center to use 32 Commons for the new Senior Exercise Program on July 17, 2012 due to a scheduling conflict.**

**Richard S. Humphrey recused himself from the LC Community Center matter.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To accept an invitation received from the Little Compton American Legion Post #37 to participate in the Memorial Day Parade and Service on May 28, 2012 at 10 AM.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mataronas, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To support a resolution adopted by the East Greenwich Town Council which supports Senate Bill S-2928 entitled, An Act Relating to Taxation – Taxation of Farm, Forest and Open Space that would allow the Tax Assessor's to mail the prescribed forms in the first notification to a property owner by First Class Mail.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To grant permission to the Little Compton Village Improvement Society to use Veteran's Field for their annual fund raising event to be held on August 4, 2012, with permission to use the field beginning on August 3 for tent set up to the morning of August 6 for tent removal with the following stipulations:**

- 1. The LCVIS must turn control of the field over to the Town Council by 4 PM on August 4th**
- 2. All Auction and food stations must be concluded and removed by 6:30 PM**
- 3. Tent removal must be accomplished before 10 am on August 6 due to the anticipate delivery of the modular unit for the school department**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To support a proclamation adopted by the Town of East Greenwich applauding the commitment of the RI Brain and Spine Tumor Foundation and proclaiming May as Brain Tumor Awareness Month.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To accept an invitation received from the**



**Warren's Point Beach Club, Inc. to participate in water rescue training; to designate the Fire Chief to take lead on this subject and encourage the Police Chief's participation in the event as well.**

**Richard S. Humphrey recused himself from both the LC Village Improvement Society, Inc. field use request and the Warren's Point Beach Club, Inc. invitation.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To grant permission to Sergeant Sarah J. Flowers to camp one night overnight in Wilbour Woods over the Memorial Day Weekend, contingent upon her notifying the Police Department of the date she will be camping.**

**Motion made by Councilor Mushen, receiving a second from Councilor Mataronas, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To request the Tax Collector return to the Council with a revised abatement list of uncollectible taxes which would include the year and type of uncollectible tax.**

**Roy Bonner asked to supply the Council with a copy of Senate Bill #S-2870 SubA which relates to proposed creation of the East Bay Energy Consortium under the RI Economic Development Corporation.**

**Mr. Bonner expressed his strong concern over the language proposed and asked the Councilors to review the material.**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To place the consent calendar on file as follows:**

- 1. Notification received from the United States Postal Service announcing the retirement of the POSTNET barcode. Certain articles of mail will require an Intelligent Mail barcode (IMb) for future permit reply mail.**
- 2. Announcement from Sonitrol Security of Htfd, Inc. announcing its reorganization into Alarm New England, LLC. No services will change.**

**Motion made by Councilor Bodington, receiving a second from Councilor Golembeske, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): That the bills be allowed and ordered paid as follows: \$24,411.30**

**Power Equipment - Generator Public Safety Complex \$430.00**

**Allied Court Reporters - Zoning Board \$300.00**

**Cox Communications - 32 Commons \$27.93**

**RI General Treasurer - LC Housing Trust \$20.00**

**Home Depot - Town Hall \$40.71**

**Seekonk Supply Inc. - Highway \$948.06**

**BTT Inc. - Maintenance \$200.00**

**Vision Government Solutions - revaluation    \$1,611.72**

**Mike Massa - Harbor Management Funds    \$25.00**

**Fisher Bus Inc. - Senior Busing    \$100.00**

**Direct Mail Manager Inc. - Budget Committee    \$933.13**

**Paychex of New York, LLC - Treasurer    \$392.09**

**Nationalgrid - cell tower    \$181.91**

**Nationalgrid - Adamsville street lights    \$30.66**

**Nationalgrid - Town Hall    \$182.27**

**Nationalgrid - IOOF    \$20.83**

**Nationalgrid - 32 Commons    \$16.10**

**Nationalgrid - Peckham Lot    \$17.72**

**Nationalgrid - Street Lights    \$13.23**

**Nationalgrid - Town Dock    \$32.72**

**Poland Springs - Town Hall    \$36.51**

**Poland Springs - Maintenance    \$29.23**

**Petro - gasoline    \$2,377.07**

**Everlasting Designs - Computer May    \$1,600.00**

**Everlasting Designs - Computer    \$1,550.00**

**Petro - Diesel    \$989.44**

**United Site Services - Transfer Station    \$115.00**

**MaryJane Harrington - Treasurer    \$38.35**

**Affiliated Computer Services - RI Historical Records Trust    \$1,299.00**

**Otis Elevator - Town hall    \$5,209.39**

**William L. Moore - inspections    \$360.00**

**William L. Moore - Building Official    \$70.49**

**New England Association Chiefs of Police - Drug Forfeiture \$60.00**

**Ledgewood Court Reporting - Drug Forfeiture \$78.00 \$138.00**  
**K.T.R. Maintenance - Police Dept. \$151.07 \$151.07**  
**Postmaster - Probate & Clerk \$330.00**  
**Paychex of New York, LLC - Treasurer \$372.90**  
**Aquidneck Mooring - Harbormaster \$125.00**  
**Creative Electronics Inc. - Fire Department \$1,040.00**  
**Firematic Supply Co. Inc. - Fire Department \$145.80**  
**Cascade Subscription Service, Inc. - Fire Department \$90.00**  
**Shipman's Fire Equipment Co., Inc. - Fire Department \$44.90**  
**Firematic Supply Co. Inc. - Fire Department \$166.00**  
**K.T.R. Maintenance - Fire Department \$127.76**  
**Clinical 1 Home Medical - Fire Department \$55.40**  
**LG Communications - Fire Department \$350.00**  
**Comstar - Fire Department \$786.59**  
**Cox Communications - Fire Department \$153.55**  
**Southcoast Hospital Group - Fire Department \$195.26**  
**Minuteman Trucks, Inc. - Fire Department \$385.51 \$3,540.77**  
**Workers misc. Financial Town Meeting - Bd Canvassers \$555.00**

**Motion made by Councilor Golembeske, receiving a second from Councilor Bodington, voting in favor (Bodington, Golembeske, Mataronas, Mushen): To adjourn at 7:40 PM.**

**Carol A Wordell**

**Town Clerk**